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Testimony on Senate Bill No. 1095

AN ACT ELIMINATING THE INCREASE IN THE PETROLEUM PRODUCTS GROSS EARNINGS TAX

Senator Fonfara, Representative Widlitz and distinguished members of the Finance, Revenue and Bonding Committee, thank you for the opportunity to offer testimony on Senate Bill No. 1095, An Act Eliminating the Increase in the Petroleum Products Gross Earnings Tax.

Under existing law, the petroleum products gross earnings tax rate is scheduled to increase from 7.0% to 8.1%. This bill would eliminate the increase effective July 1, 2013. An annual state revenue loss of approximately \$55 million would result from this change.

I would like to again thank the committee for the opportunity to present this testimony.